



## News Flash

### **BMFA Annual General Meeting Reminder**

Members please plan to attend the Annual General Meeting of the Blue Mountain Foundation for the Arts on Thursday, October 29, 2009. Join us at 7 p.m. at the Arts Centre, 163 Hurontario Street, Collingwood.

### **BMFA Volunteer Appreciation Party**

All BMFA volunteers are celebrated October 15, 2009 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Arts Centre. See page 2 for details.

### **Clarification**

See page 2 for a clarification to "Town Murals," in issue 6 of *muse*.

Your feed back is important to us at *muse*. Please send comments, items or corrections to: [admin@bmfa.on.ca](mailto:admin@bmfa.on.ca). Type "muse" in the subject line.



## AT THE ARTS CENTRE

### **It's Great to be a Man in Times Like These: Scott Waters September 30 to November 1, 2009**



"Sleeping in the LAV" by Scott Waters

#### **Artist's Talk October 24, 5 to 7 pm**

The work collected in this exhibition represents Waters' initial involvement with India Company, Second Battalion of The Royal Canadian Regiment via the Canadian Forces Artist Program.

Waters believes that all images addressing military subjects are about death, destruction and waste. At the same time, he says, no image is capable of depicting the horrors of war. As this project is a record of soldiers training for combat, Waters endeavors to address the issues of suffering and violence with some candour, while offering affection and empathy towards the very difficult – and difficult to depict – job of being a combat soldier.

Scott Waters thanks The Canadian Forces, The Directorate of History and Heritage, The Canadian Forces Artist Program (notably Dr. John MacFarlane), The Second Battalion, The Royal Canadian Regiment and especially India Company, for "helping me out, putting me up and putting up with me." Also, thanks to The Canada Council for the Arts and The Ontario Arts Council for their generous financial support of this project.

Exhibition curator Allison Billings would like to thank Jennifer Macnaughton for suggesting that the BMFA become involved in this exhibition, and thanks also to our generous sponsor, Donna Shortt, BMO Nesbitt Burns.

### **Two Guys & a Mudley of Their Tunes October 27, 2009**

Tuesday Night at the Arts Centre presents pianist John Eversfield and guitarist Glenn Wood, who will take us on a tour of their sometimes zany repertoire. Free admission, 7:30 pm. Sponsored by Donna Shortt of BMO Nesbitt Burns.

### **17th Annual Juried Photo Show November 4 to 28, 2009**

Plan now to attend the 17th Annual Juried Photo Show in November. A rich roster of workshops, lectures, and entertainment make this year's exhibit an opportunity for education and networking as well as competition. Save the dates:

**November 13      A Musical Performance**  
Chuck Baker and Friends, 7 pm.

**November 15      Photography & Mixed Media**  
Jim Stacey, 2 pm.

**November 21      Working with Young Shutterbugs**  
Shelley Carberry, 9 am to 12 noon, ages six to nine, and 1 to 4 pm, ages 10 to 14. Registration required.

**November 24      What's New in Photography?**  
John Gabriele, Gabriele Photography, 7 pm.

**November 26      Wine and Food Pairings**  
Georgian Hill Vineyards and Café Chartreuse, 7 pm to 9 pm. Limited number of tickets available.

**November 28      Jurors' Critique**  
Critique of exhibited work. 10 am. Please pick up all exhibited work at this time.

For further information and to download an entry form, visit [www.bmfa.on.ca](http://www.bmfa.on.ca). **Deadlines for work submitted are: October 28 by mail and October 31 in person.** Winners will be announced at the opening reception on November 7, 2 to 3:20 pm.

Sponsored by: Ainley Group; Sensor Technology, Ltd.; Georgian Frame Gallery; Wayne Noble, Noble Insurance; Ian Whitton Professional Corporation, with assistance from: The Town of Collingwood Department of Leisure Services; Canadian Mist Distillers Ltd.; Dr. John L. Chiasson, DDS; and Henry's.

Gallery Hours: Wednesday to Saturday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.

## The Town Murals: Clarification

In last month's article on the restoration of the Town murals, it may have been implied that this was solely a BMFA project. Although the late Myrna Westcott was the project's champion and the BMFA was a financial contributor, with many members personally involved, this was a broad based, Centennial community project. We also salute the many other citizens who made a contribution.

## BOARD REPORT

Dear Members,

One cannot help but notice our newly painted entrance to the Arts Centre. John Pretty and the Building Committee have done a wonderful job in freshening up the exterior and giving us a facelift. Next stop...the back entrance. It's amazing what paint and imagination can do.

Please do come by to see the Scott Waters exhibit this month titled "It's Great to be a Man in Times Like These". It is a thought-provoking and engaging body of work by a young and talented artist.

The Collingwood Cinema Club will be holding their fall 2009 and spring 2010 Film Festivals at the Gayety Theatre and have asked us to open the doors to the Arts Centre for those weekends. The Fall Festival will be timed perfectly to coincide with the opening of our December Exhibition and bring many people in to view the gallery.

Finally, I would like to thank the Clerkson Committee very much for the tremendous amount of work they have done to make our first Clerkson Auction such a tremendous success.



*Jan Macnaughton*

## VOLUNTEER NOW

**Artists:** The Studio Tour Committee needs input from artists. If you can spare 2 to 5 hours per month from now until June, we welcome you. We meet the second Monday of each month, 10 am, at the Arts Centre. Please join us! Call Jen Macnaughton at 705-446-0776 for more information.

## COMMITTEE VIEWS

### Volunteer Appreciation Party October 15, 2009, 5 to 7 pm

Invitations are being mailed to all volunteers. Please RSVP by October 8 and come join the fun as the Board and the volunteer committee show their appreciation for your hard work.

### Communications and Marketing

Last month we announced that we have been given a mandate by the Board to review the BMFA identity. We are very pleased to clarify for the membership the reasons behind our project to look at possible changes to identity and logo.

- Separate the long name from the symbol in order to support increased promotional demands on the logo.
- Aid readability of the name in smaller spaces.
- Develop a symbol that is lighter and more balanced, as opposed to the current dense heavy background behind the white tree. The current logo reads as a predominantly black (or very dark blue) rectangle.
- Enliven and brighten the look as we seek to build audience as mandated in the Strategic Plan.
- Create an identity that can be easily embroidered onto fabric for broader usage.

Kindly send your comments on the project to [admin@bmfa.on.ca](mailto:admin@bmfa.on.ca), subject: Identity. We will follow up this initial phase with a discussion at the Annual meeting.

— Ron MacRae, Chair

### Building Committee

The building committee continues its upgrade of the Arts Centre. Comments on the new front exterior have been very favourable. We are now in the process of repainting the rear entrance and the interior. Repainting the interior will lighten its appearance, as many have commented that the gallery appears dark, particularly from outside.

The jewelry cases, which are unwieldy and ineffective for many exhibitions, will be held in storage; but the very large Nettleton cabinet/bookcase will remain in the gallery for display purposes. We are looking for an 'antique' type desk and chair for the front of the gallery as a replacement. **Donations gladly considered.** The piano is rarely used by musicians any more and would be of benefit to a worthy recipient. The building committee welcomes your help and comments.

### Juried Art Show 2010

With Autumn fast upon us, it seems strange to be thinking of Spring. However, it's time to remind all artists and artisans to start planning their submissions for the annual Juried Art Show in April. In 2010, we celebrate the show's thirtieth (yes, thirtieth) year, and we have the honour of initiating the "Art Walk" gallery space in the brand new Collingwood Library! The date for submissions is **Saturday, March 27** at the library's new site, 55 St Marie Street. The grand gala opening reception is **Thursday, April 1, 2010**. Plan ahead for Spring and we'll see you on both dates!

## CELEBRATE SUCCESS

### And wasn't *that* a party!

The Clerkson Collection: Part I wound up on Saturday, September 26 with a reception and silent auction of The Art of Southern Georgian Bay.

From 4 to 8 pm, the Arts Centre was abuzz with excitement and anticipation as final bids for the approximately one hundred paintings were placed and the winning bids announced. By the end of the evening the walls were bare and the BMFA realized approximately \$17,000 (gross).



During the reception, Jennifer Macnaughton spoke on behalf of all the members as she acknowledged our gratitude for the generous gift received from Murray Clerkson. At that time, we officially dedicated the Clerkson Gallery in his honour.

– Harriet Cummings

## FOUNDATION SALUTE

### Thank you, Allison

Allison Billings has now been working for the Blue Mountain Foundation for the Arts for over half a year. The time has indeed gone very quickly. We would like to salute Allison this month as she has a difficult job to do, finding time for each committee, as well as fulfilling her duties as Office Administrator.

For the past several years Allison has owned and operated Greenbird Events, a marketing company specializing in art, music and ecology based events such as Sonic Orchard. Prior to being hired as our Office Administrator, Allison designed, marketed and facilitated arts-based education initiatives, a role she still performs for the BMFA. With a Bachelor of Fine Arts from York University and a diploma in Community Arts Management, Allison is well qualified for the position she holds. In addition to her office duties, she is a valuable volunteer member of the Exhibition Committee.

As a trained paralegal, Allison is well versed in non-profit governance and contract law. Remarkably, she also finds time to be a fine artist. Allison will be working on a schedule of alternating three and four day weeks for the fall. You may reach her from 9 am to 5 pm, Tuesday or Wednesday to Friday at the Arts Centre.

## CALL FOR ENTRY

### 17th Annual BMFA Juried Photo Show November 4 to 28

Entries are due by mail on **October 28** or in person on **October 31**. To download an entry form, or for additional details and contest rules, visit our website at [www.bmfa.on.ca](http://www.bmfa.on.ca).

### Winter's Gift December 2 to January 3

Artists are invited to submit entries for this juried art show and sale at the Arts Centre. Artists are required to submit an artist's biography and five images for the juror's consideration. The entry fee is \$50 for BMFA members, \$70 for non members, payable upon acceptance. A 20% commission on all sales will go to the BMFA. **Deadline for entry is October 23**. For more details and an entry form, go to [www.bmfa.on.ca](http://www.bmfa.on.ca) or contact the administrator at 705-445-3430.

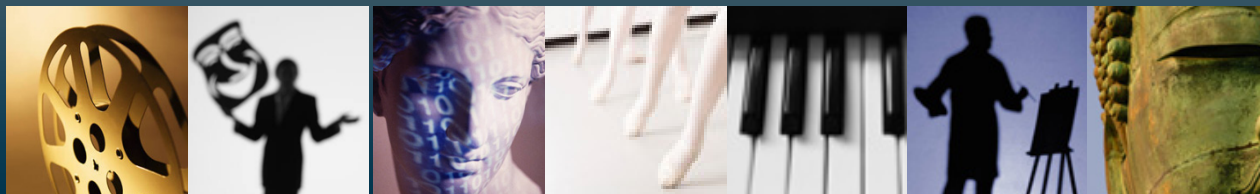
### Potters/Glass Artists support the BMFA!

We are asking 10 to 12 potters to make 10 soup bowls each, that will be sold with a bowl of soup at our opening reception for \$20 each. These bowls should be the size of a soup bowl or should hold approximately 300 to 350ml with some room to spare at the top of the bowl, glazed and food safe. All bottoms or foot rungs should be smooth to the touch. Participating potters will receive a tax credit of \$150 and entry into the Winter's Gift show (a \$50 value) OR a \$150 tax receipt should they not wish to enter the show. **Deadline to RSVP is October 16**. Please contact the administrator at 705-445-3430 for more information. The opening reception for Winter's Gift will be December 4, 5 to 7 pm.



"Small Arms" by Allison Billings  
Acrylic, 2008

# BLUE MOUNTAIN FOUNDATION FOR THE ARTS



## GEORGIAN TRIANGLE ART EVENTS

### Visual Arts

#### Blue Mountain Foundation for the Arts

#### It's Great to be a Man in Times Like These:

#### Scott Waters . . . . .September 30 to November 1

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The Arts Centre Gallery, 163 Hurontario Street, Collingwood  
Call 705-445-3430 or visit [www.bmfa.on.ca](http://www.bmfa.on.ca)

#### Circling Back

#### A Retrospective Art Show . . . . .October 2 to 23

Long-time Collingwood artist Joyce Zukerman joins former resident artist Bob Brinton to show works spanning 40 years. Tues. to Sun., 12 noon to 4 pm. RBI Financial Building (upstairs), 158 Hurontario St., Collingwood. Contact Rad: 705-444-1426, [rwhite@georgian.net](mailto:rwhite@georgian.net)

#### Autumn Colours Art Show . . . . .October 3 to 18

Debra, Laurie, Peter and the gang are painting up a storm for this favourite fall show. Gallery hours Wed. to Sun. 11 am to 6 pm. Loft Gallery, 183 Marsh St., Clarksburg. 519-599-5912. [www.loftgallery.ca](http://www.loftgallery.ca), [info@loftgallery.ca](mailto:info@loftgallery.ca)

#### Changing Colours . . . . .October 3 to 25

Art show and sale presented by the Meaford Creative Arts Association. Reception October 3, 2 to 4 pm. Meaford Hall Arts & Cultural Centre, 1-12 Nelson St. E., Meaford

#### Marsh Street Painters Art Exhibition . . .October 3 to 31

Display and sale of art by the Marsh St. Painters. Watercolour, acrylics and more. Reception October 3, 2 to 4 pm. L. E. Shore Memorial Library, Bruce Street, Thornbury  
Contact Jane Wynne at 705-444-5615 or [janewynne@rogers.com](mailto:janewynne@rogers.com)

### Music

#### Beaver Valley Concert Society . . . . .October 3

Concert of classical music by brilliant violinist Véronique Mathieu, and virtuoso clarinetist Goran Gojevich. Mozart, Rossini, Schubert and more. 8 to 10 pm. Grace United Church, 140 Bruce St. Thornbury.  
Contact E. James at 519-538-2453 or [ejames@rogers.com](mailto:ejames@rogers.com)  
[www.bluemountainschamber.ca/ConcertSociety](http://www.bluemountainschamber.ca/ConcertSociety)

#### Drum in International Day for Climate Action

#### with Japanese Drummers . . . . .October 24

Drummers march us down Hurontario Street at 3:50 pm to call for climate action and then concert celebrates the need for climate safety. 3:50 pm walk, 7:30 pm concert. Hurontario Street and Loblaw's. 519 599-5461 [celebrateearth@yahoo.ca](mailto:celebrateearth@yahoo.ca), [www.collingwoodmusicfestival.com](http://www.collingwoodmusicfestival.com)

#### Bach With A Twist . . . . .October 24

Special benefit concert to raise funds for the Beaver Valley Concert Society given by the brilliant Bach With A Twist quartet. 8 to 10 pm. Grace United Church, 140 Bruce St, Thornbury.  
Contact E. James at 519-538-2453 or [ejames@rogers.com](mailto:ejames@rogers.com).  
[www.bluemountainschamber.ca/ConcertSociety](http://www.bluemountainschamber.ca/ConcertSociety)

#### Japanese Taiko Drumming Ensemble . . . . .October 24

This is a group of supremely accomplished drummers. 7:30 pm. Hurontario and Tracey Lane, Collingwood  
1-888-283-1712, [info@collingwoodmusicfestival.com](mailto:info@collingwoodmusicfestival.com),  
[www.collingwoodmusicfestival.com](http://www.collingwoodmusicfestival.com)

#### Borrowed Tunes

#### The Songs of Neil Young . . . . .October 24

An homage to Neil Young with creative interpretations of his greatest songs by vital up and coming artists. Accompanied by a multi media slide show highlighting Neil's career. [www.myspace.com/atributetoneil](http://www.myspace.com/atributetoneil). Presented by Meaford Hall. 8 pm. Meaford Hall Arts & Cultural Centre, 1-12 Nelson St. E., Meaford, The Opera House Box Office 1-877-538-0463, [www.meafordhall.ca](http://www.meafordhall.ca)

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### Theatre

#### An Evening on Broadway . . . . .October 24

Theatre Collingwood presents a unique theatrical show with an elegant themed meal by Oliver & Bonacini Cafe and Grill. Live and silent auction plus a chance to win a trip to New York. Cocktails 6:30 pm, Dinner 7:30 pm, followed by performance. Westin Trillium House, Blue Mountain Theatre Collingwood  
Box Office 705-445-2200, [info@theatrecollingwood.com](mailto:info@theatrecollingwood.com),  
[www.theatrecollingwood.com](http://www.theatrecollingwood.com)

#### Mad Science for kids! "Fire & Ice" . . . . .October 31

A super-science show for kids of all ages! Fast paced, interactive, and amazing demonstrations. Presented by the Meaford Library. [www.madscience.org](http://www.madscience.org). 2 pm. Meaford Hall Arts & Cultural Centre, 1-12 Nelson St. E., Meaford, The Opera House Box Office 1-877-538-0463, [www.meafordhall.ca](http://www.meafordhall.ca)

#### Raven Stole the Sun . . . . .November 5

Red Sky Theatre presents a compelling theatre dance piece for family audiences. Raven is a magical creature of impulse and curiosity who hatches a brilliant scheme for stealing the stars, the moon and the sun and ends up bringing light to the people of the world. Presented by Meaford Hall & Culture Foundation. [www.redskyperformance.com](http://www.redskyperformance.com). 8 pm. Meaford Hall Arts & Cultural Centre, 1-12 Nelson St. E., Meaford, The Opera House Box Office 1-877-538-0463, [www.meafordhall.ca](http://www.meafordhall.ca)

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